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Boise-Based U.S. Geothermal to Receive Department of Energy Grant

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Idaho Senator Larry Craig will join officials from the U.S Department of Energy to announce the awarding of a substantial federal grant to Boise-based U.S. Geothermal, a renewable energy development company working to develop a geothermal power generation plant in Southern Idaho scheduled to open next year.

When: Saturday, January 29, 2005

Where: Idaho Water Center, corner of Front and Broadway, Boise

Time: 10 a.m.

Roy Mink, manager of the Geothermal Technologies Program for the Department of Energy will join Senator Craig, along with Dan Kunz and Doug Glaspey of U.S Geothermal.

Others on hand will include Congressman Butch Otter, state lawmakers, Idaho Department of Water Resources Director Karl Dreher and Robert Hoppie, Idaho Energy Division administrator.

The U.S. Geothermal plant will be located near Malta and is expected to be the first geothermal power plant in the Pacific Northwest. Just this week, the Public Utilities Commission approved a sales agreement between the company and Idaho Power.

Note: The press conference will take place on sixth floor in the IDWR Conference Center. Parking in the garage will be free. Turn right on Avenue "A" off Front Street and turn right into the garage.

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